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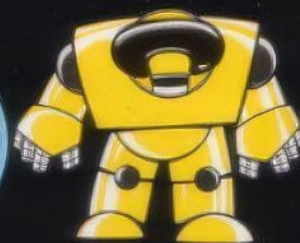
**MUTANT
LEAGUE™**

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THE LIMIT
FOR COACH
BRIKKA
& HIS
MIDWAY
MONSTERS!

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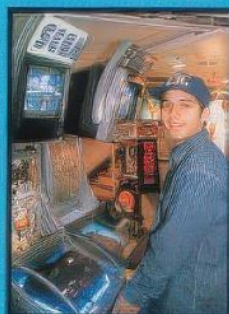
Hey, Boomers! Don't lose your heads! Over the next six issues *STC*, in association with Electronic Arts, is hosting the ultimate in sporting action, the ultimate sporting event! Yes, **Mutant League** is here! Fans of the popular *ML* video game will find all their favourite characters in action, together with a few surprise guests. To fully enjoy the strip, select Sequential Art Mode from your options screen then Play Ball!

Also in this issue, **Tails** completes his rescue mission in the Nameless Zone - but despair not! Your favourite fox will star in another searing solo adventure soon!

Let's not forget the real star of *STC*, **Sonic** himself! Next issue sees the return of *Sonic's World*, in which we divulge further secrets of the planet Mobius. Your reaction to the first series in *STC*'s 25-27 was incredible, so Boomers prepare to be suitably impressed once again.

Talking of popular, headstrong characters, who could forget Chuck D. Head of *Decap Attack* fame? Well, the word is that Chuck wants back in *STC*. Can't say I blame him! Maybe I'll toss a coin and if it's heads — he's in. Find out the result in *STC* 32, next issue!

Virtua Racing Steals The Show!



Call from Worlds Apart gets to grips with Virtua Racing.

The merry month of May saw three **Sega/Capital Radio Roadshows** broadcast live from various South East England locations.

Poptastic performers over the three events included Chart toppers **Bad Boys Inc.**, **Tony Di Bart**, **D:Ream**, **East 17**, **EYC**, **Dannii Minogue** and **Roachford**. However, the real stars had to be **Virtua Racing** which drove everybody wild, and those funky double decker buses (see *Sega Bus*

Tour Dates below). For the full low-down on the Roadshows turn to the page which follows the **Tails** strip.



Sonic keeps a watchful eye on members of *Badboys & D:Ream*'s Peter Cusack.

SEGA BUS TOUR DATES

Hop on board one of the two Sega mobile computer game buses as they continue their tour (tell them *STC* sent you). It is advisable to check the following venues in advance (in the event of last minute changes [also check local press for additional dates]). The Buses are also scheduled to visit selected **Raven** and **Pontine** holiday centres during the summer.

TOUR DATES:

23 July International Air Tattoo.	24 July Fairford, Glos. Royal Launce Show.
26 & 27 July New Forest Hampshire Show.	27 July Nantwich & South Cheshire Show.
30 & 31 July St Helen's Show. Worthing Festival.	

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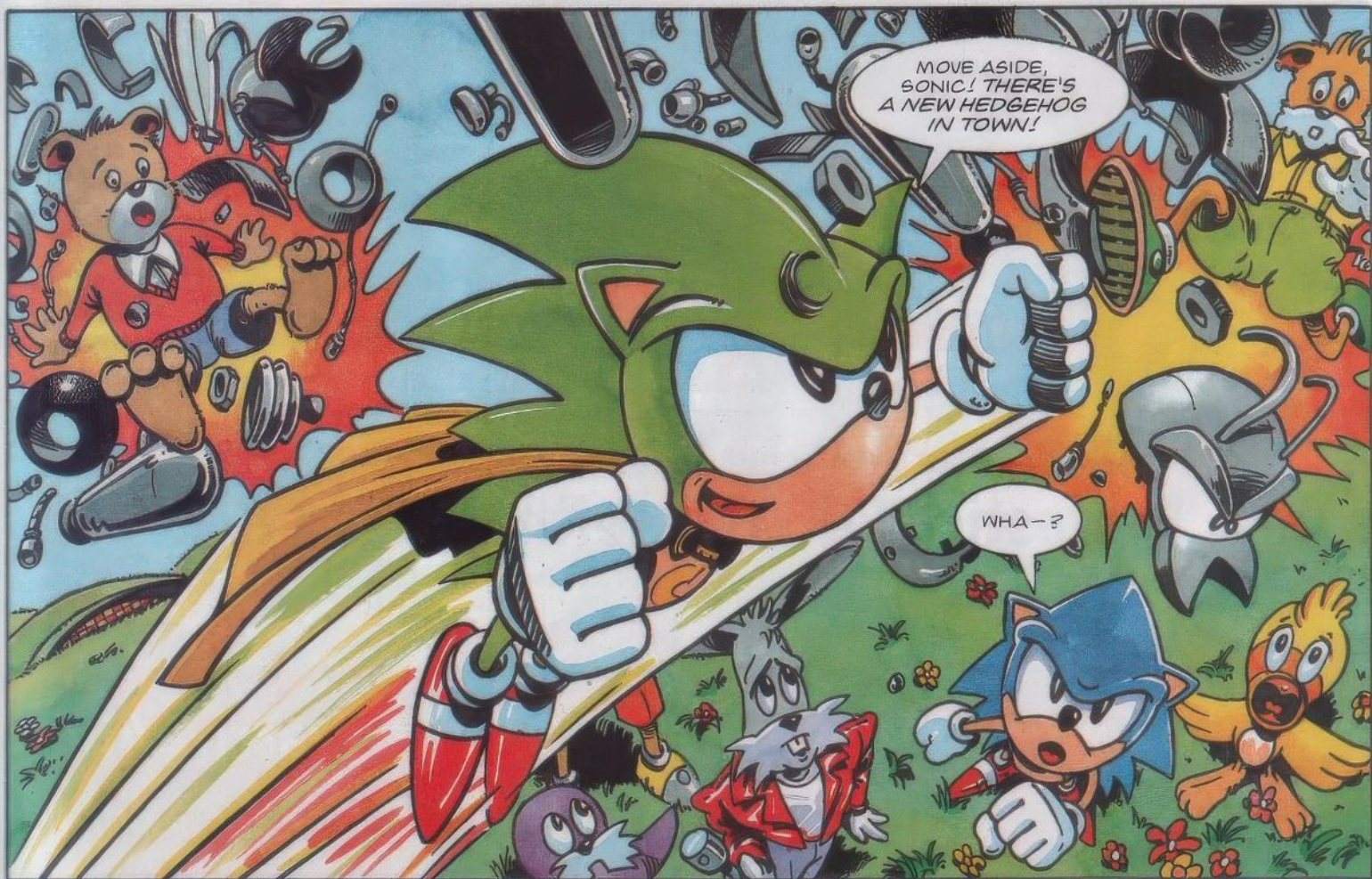
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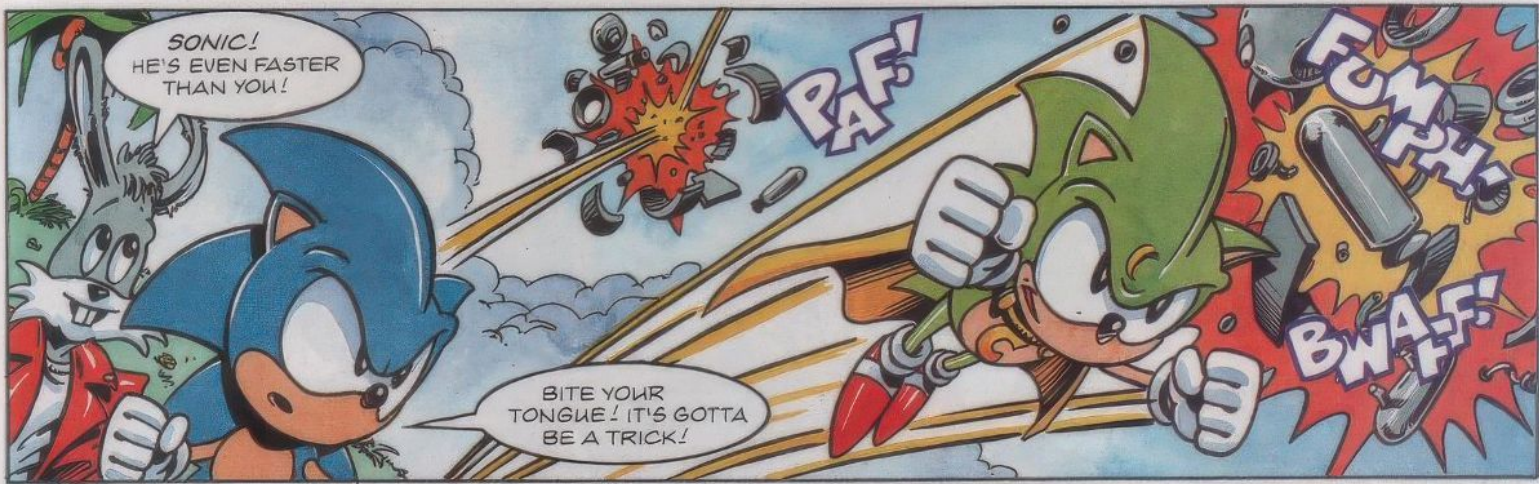
SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

The Pretender

Script:
Lew Stringer
Art:
Mike Hadley
Lettering:
Ellie de'Ville





IT'S NO TRICK, SONIC! THE BADNIK'S ARE DEFEATED!

ALL A BIT TOO EASY FOR MY LIKING! OKAY, BUDDY— WHO ARE YOU?



I'M COSMIC THE HEDGEHOG — FASTEST SPIKY THING ALIVE! I'D HEARD ABOUT YOUR LITTLE EFFORTS AGAINST DOCTOR ROBOTNIK, SO I THOUGHT I'D SHOW YOU HOW IT'S DONE!



I'M DOING FINE AGAINST ROBOTNIK! I DON'T NEED ANY HELP FROM A PRETENDER LIKE YOU!

ME, A PRETENDER? I COULD BEAT YOU IN A RACE!

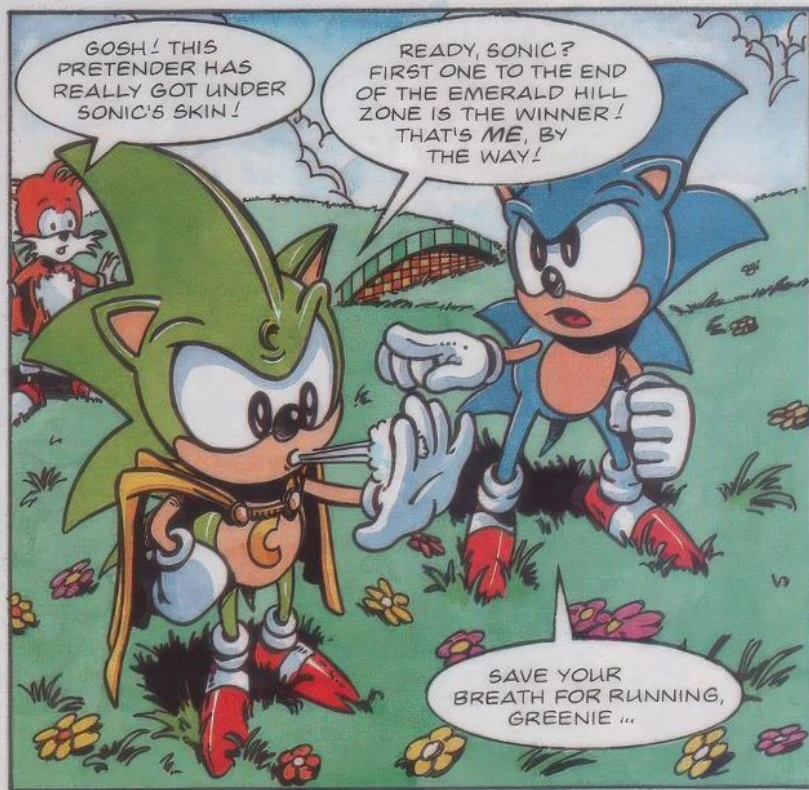
OKAY, GREENIE — YOU'RE ON!



HOLD ON, SONIC! YOU COULD BE RUSHING INTO A DEADLY TRAP!

WELL, IF I NEVER SEE YOU AGAIN, THIS IS HOW I'LL ALWAYS REMEMBER YOU !!!

... AS A LITTLE TWO-TAILED DIMWIT WHO'S ALWAYS WHINGING!



GOSH! THIS PRETENDER HAS REALLY GOT UNDER SONIC'S SKIN!

READY, SONIC? FIRST ONE TO THE END OF THE EMERALD HILL ZONE IS THE WINNER! THAT'S ME, BY THE WAY!

SAVE YOUR BREATH FOR RUNNING, GREENIE !!!





I WIN! - AS IF I EVER DOUBTED I WOULD!

I THINK COSMIC OVERDID IT THOUGH!



TAKE IT EASY, COSMIC! IT WAS A ONE HEDGEHOG RACE RIGHT FROM THE START!

THAT'S VERY TRUE, SONIC



"I'M NOT A HEDGEHOG AT ALL!"

YOU'RE CHANGING! YOU! YOU'RE ...



...METAMORPHIA!* - BUT YOU'RE DEAD!

NO, BUT YOU SOON WILL BE! HAHAHA!

*METAMORPHIA! THE SHAPE-CHANGING AGENT OF ROBOTNIK LAST SEEN IN ISSUE 30.



THE PERFECT PLAN! LURE YOU AWAY FROM YOUR FRIENDS AND DESTROY YOU, WHILE AN ARMY OF BADNIKS EXTERMINATES YOUR FRIENDS! HAHAHA!







REVIEW

Zone

Enter the zone that brings you reviews of all the new releases for the Sega game systems.
Reviewer this issue:
David Gibbon.

MUTANT LEAGUE HOCKEY

game type: **SPORTS SIMULATION**
(BASED ON NHL HOCKEY '94)



1-4 PLAYERS



Mega Drive



Mega CD



Master System



Game Gear

STC Rating System

under 40% - Yawnsville
40 - 70% - Normalsville
70 - 80% - Fun City
80 - 90% - Big Time City
over 90% - Mega City!

NHL Hockey '94 from Electronic Arts is a highly popular simulation of the fast moving ice game, and is deemed the best of its type. However, if you find there's not enough excitement in an ordinary hockey match, then **Mutant League Hockey** could be for you. EA have basically taken their NHL game, turned all the players into horrible looking mutants and added lots of violence, excitement and humour. Fans of the sport may not like the way EA have transformed this hockey game, but the idea is about having lots of fun.



Mutant League Hockey allows you to select a four-stage tournament or a one-off match, played on one of five levels of aggression. Right from the start your aim is to play dirty, as fair play gets you nowhere! Each player is equipped with various weapons to attack the opposition. When fighting occurs a one-to-one 'beat-em-up' screen appears showing a close-up of the action. Each team also has a set of special moves they can perform, ranging from bribing the referee to implementing an exploding puck to dispose of an opposing player.

The ice rinks also provides a certain amount of danger; some have flames shooting out of the ice, whilst others are riddled with holes.

Apart from all the mayhem there's still a hockey game within **Mutant League** and these additions to the gameplay make it that much more exciting. If you liked what the Bitmap Brothers did with *Speedball 2*, then you're certain to like this fast moving and exciting hockey game. - DG.

SENSIBLE SOCCER CD

game type: **SPORT SIMULATION**
1-2 PLAYERS



Everyone knows that the Mega Drive version of *Sensible Soccer* has been constantly overshadowed by the brilliant graphics of *FIFA Soccer*. However, **Sensible Soccer CD** is quite frankly the most playable footie game. The graphics and ability of the players to manoeuvre allows for thrilling goals to be created; you can blast the ball from the half-way line with enough curve to bend it past the goal. Scoring like this adds great reality value to the game and at times you almost feel compelled to jump up and shout, 'G-o-a-l!'

So, what's so different about the CD version compared to the cart? Well, let me start by saying the actual gameplay remains the same. However, the main improvements, as expected, are all cosmetic with the addition of CD film sequences.



FAST FAX

PUBLISHER	PRICE
ELECTRONIC ARTS	£44.99

GRAPHICS

84

SOUND

82

PLAYABILITY

88

RAVES

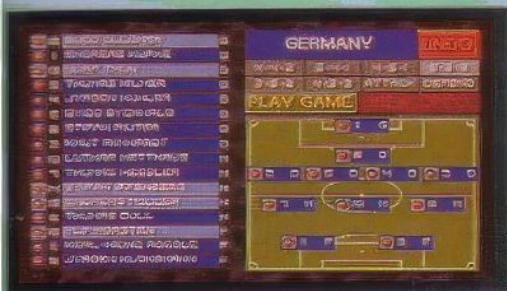
An exciting variation of an ice hockey match.

GRAVES

Not worth buying if you already have NHL Hockey '94.

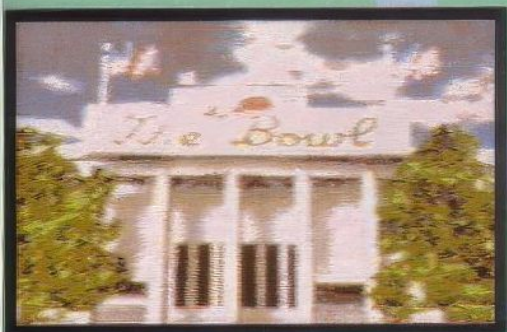
OVERALL

86%



This includes a very snazzy intro sequence which shows a texture-mapped football pitch swirling around the screen. You also get a helicopter tour of Wembley Stadium (or the Bowl Arena in the US for international matches), before playing each match which all looks very impressive.

Sony have truly gone to town with the sound effects and music on the **Sensible Soccer CD**. Various dance tracks play during the menu screens, but what's really appealing are the new crowd effects, which were recorded at a live match (and no doubt edited like crazy). The, 'One-nil, one-nils', cheers and 'Oooohs' are all here! Another bonus for Mega-CD owners is that it's £5 less than the cart (record companies take note!). So if you don't own the cart but do possess a Mega-CD, go forth to your local games store and play the ultimate in footballing action! - DG.



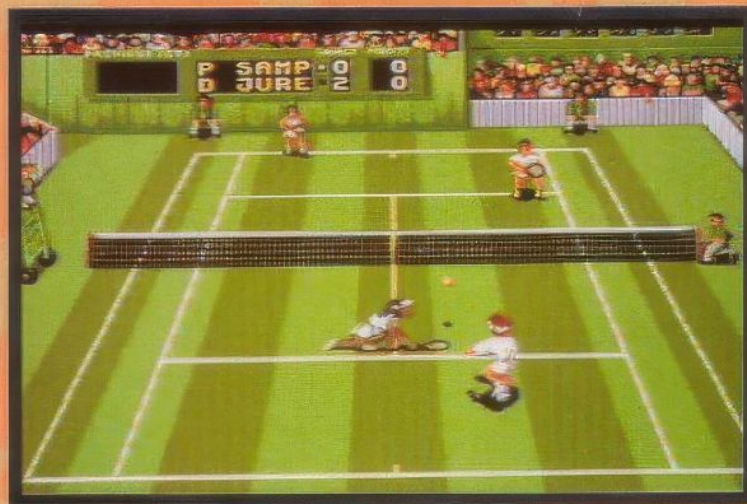
PETE SAMPRAS TENNIS

game type: **SPORTS SIMULATION**
1 - 4 PLAYERS



Pete Sampras served over 1,000 aces and won Wimbledon and the US Open in '93, he finished the last season as number one in the world and earned a record \$3.6 million dollars (a record for any single season). He may be one of the world's best players, but is **Pete Sampras Tennis** any good? Well, for a start the game cartridge features two extra built-in joypad ports. Called the J-Cart, it allows up to four people to compete at the same time (providing you have four joypads). Previously, simultaneous four player games from companies such as EA required you to buy a 4-player adaptor, but with this you're getting an adaptor completely free!

The initial menu gives you a choice of playing a Challenge (single match), a Tournament or a World Tour. A Tutorial option gives you the chance to familiarise yourself with the controls before playing.



According to the manual there are two mystery options included, but they remain a mystery as I haven't discovered them yet! On selecting the Challenge you are asked to choose which player(s) you want. There are 30 female and male players in total, each one showing not only their ranking position but also whether they are left or right handed. However, Pete Sampras is the

only really recognisable player in the game.

Once play is under way, you'll hear the superb speech and the realism of the whole thing. For example, if you're near the end of a match and the crowd starts shouting, the umpire will say, 'Quiet please. Thank you!'. The game plays extremely well and, using the various after touch shots, you can gain great control and placement of the ball.

The graphics and animation of the players is excellent; with over 4,000 frames of animation you can perform dives, lobbs and many other impressive moves. **Pete Sampras Tennis** is the best tennis simulation I have played on the Mega Drive. Get your friends round and enjoy a thrilling doubles match! - DG.

FAST FAX

PUBLISHER **SONY** PRICE **£34.99**

GRAPHICS

..... 82

SOUND

..... 92

PLAYABILITY

..... 94

RAVES : GRAVES

The best soccer game and it's £5 cheaper than the cart!

Football fans will need to switch off their machine at some point to cool down!

OVERALL

93%

FAST FAX

PUBLISHER **CODEMASTERS** PRICE **£44.99**

GRAPHICS

..... 87

SOUND

..... 90

PLAYABILITY

..... 92

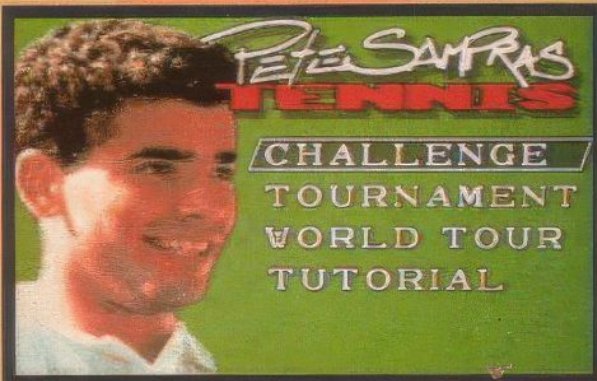
RAVES : GRAVES

A great value for money tennis simulation.

Has a limited life playing on your own.

OVERALL

91%



MUTANT LEAGUE™

Bring Me The Head of Coach Brikka PART 1

SCRIPT: Steve White/
Brian Williamson
ART: Anthony Williams/
Brian Williamson/
Steve White
LETTERING: Tom Frame

**NEW
SERIES**



**ZALGOR PRIGG'S OFFICE,
TOXICON HEADQUARTERS,
MUTATED STATES, EARTH,
THE SOLAR SYSTEM, THE
MILKY WAY. (THAT'S ALL
YOU NEED TO KNOW...)**

ON SCREEN, MR SLAYER, YOU SEE THE
MIDWAY MONSTERS STORMING TO ANOTHER
TRIUMPHANT RETURN TO THE M.F.L.*
SUPER BOWL.

WITH **BONES JACKSON**
CAPTAINING, THEY'RE UNBEATABLE. BUT THE
REAL **BRAINS** BEHIND THEIR SUCCESS...

...IS **COACH BRIKKA**, SEEN HERE
CELEBRATING VICTORY IN HIS USUAL
MIND-BLOWING MANNER.

AND THEREIN LIES THE MEAT OF MY
PLAN TO END THE MONSTERS'
DOMINATION OF THE SUPER BOWL.

*MUTANT FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

YEAH.
WHICH IS ?

BRING ME THE HEAD OF
COACH BRIKKA! IN RETURN
I WILL GIVE YOU YOUR
HEART'S DESIRE.

ONCE IN POSSESSION OF THE
HEAD, CONVEY IT HERE TO
TOXICON H.Q. BY ANY MEANS
NECESSARY.

NATURALLY, THE **MIDWAY MONSTERS**
WILL TRY TO RECOVER THE HEAD, BUT I
KNOW YOU AND YOUR **SLAYCITY SLAYERS**
ARE, ER, EMINENTLY QUALIFIED TO STOP
THEM!

IT'S A GINCH,
MR PRIGG.
BUT WHAT'S
WITH THE
HEAD?

DOCTOR WIZZ
WILL KINDLY
EXPLAIN...

WITH THE AID OF MY CEREBRO-SYNAPTIC
SHUNT PSYCHODRAIN™, WE WILL EXTRACT
COACH BRIKKA'S UNIQUE TACTICAL SKILLS.
THESE WILL BE TRANSFERRED INTO THE
TEAM OF MOBILE, COMBAT CHASSIS
BATTLEDROIDS* YOU SEE BEHIND ME.

*ROBOTS, STUPID

THEY WILL PROCEED TO WIN
EVERY M.F.L. GAME IN SIGHT...
AND THEN WE CAN RULE THE
WORLD! BWAHAHAHA! **

**G'MON, IT'S ONLY A GAME.

SHALL WE SAY...
BRENDA BRIKKA,
LUSCIOUS DAUGHTER
OF COACH BRIKKA ?

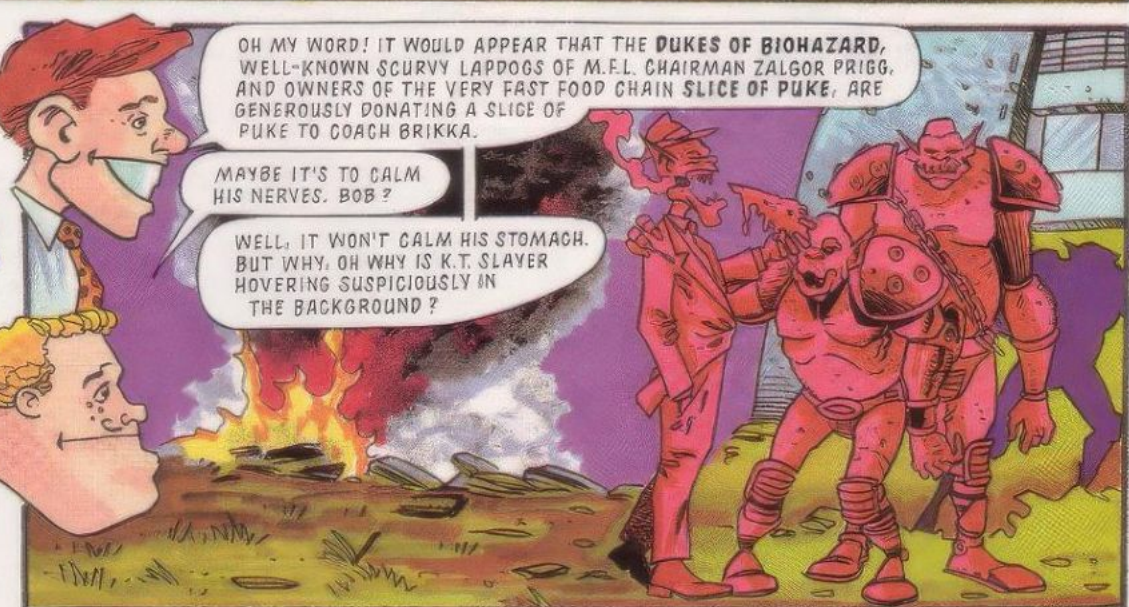
I ACCEPT!
I ACCEPT!



UH, EXTRAORDINARY. IN THE CLOSING SECONDS OF THE THIRD QUARTER OF SUPER BOWEL XXIV, SPONSORED BY DIET SMEG - THE PASTE OF A NEW GENERATION - WE FIND THE MIDWAY MONSTERS LEADING THE SLAYCITY SLAYERS BY 419 TO 386.

THANKS, CHUCK. 17 CONFIRMED KILLS SO FAR. FOUR MISSING-IN-ACTIONS AND ONE CHIPPED FINGERNAIL. ARTILLERY ROUNDS EXPENDED, 2000.

BOB?



OH MY WORD! IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE DUKES OF BIOHAZARD, WELL-KNOWN SCURVY LAPDOGS OF M.F.L. CHAIRMAN ZALGOR PRIGG, AND OWNERS OF THE VERY FAST FOOD CHAIN SLICE OF PUKE, ARE GENEROUSLY DONATING A SLICE OF PUKE TO COACH BRIKKA.

MAYBE IT'S TO CALM HIS NERVES. BOB?

WELL, IT WON'T CALM HIS STOMACH. BUT WHY, OH WHY IS K.T. SLAYER HOVERING SUSPICIOUSLY IN THE BACKGROUND?



BLING-DANGED, PANTY-HOSE, HANDBAG, TIPPY-TOED, WET-LOOK, TUTU-WEARING, QUICHE-EATING, MUMMY'S BOYS!

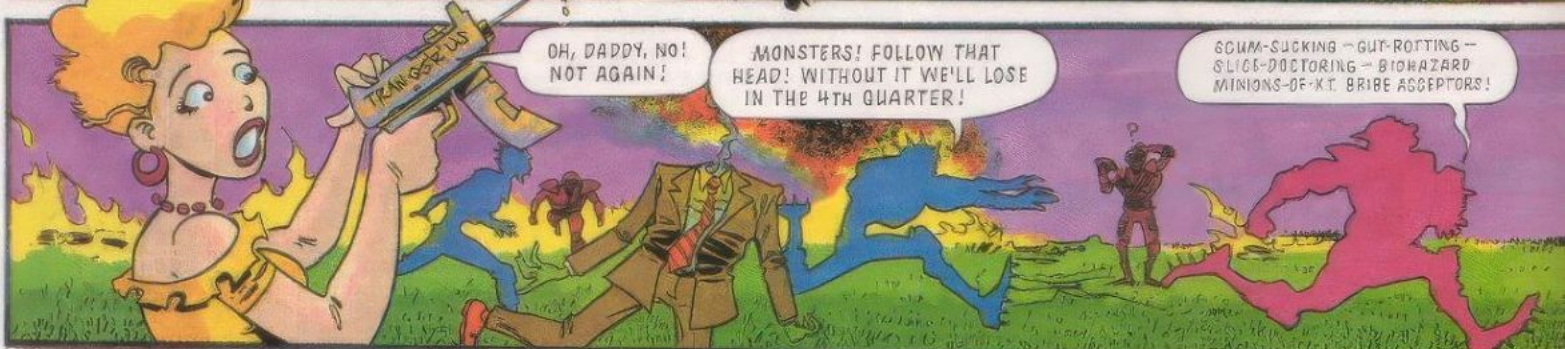
WHAT'S HIS PROBLEM? WE'RE WINNING!



ARRGGGHH!
HOT! HOT! HOT!



OH, REMARKABLE! IT WOULD SEEM THE SLICE OF PUKE WAS DOCTORED BY THE DUKES. K.T.'S MADE THE CATCH. AND WHAT A CATCH! NOW WHAT HAPPENS?



OH, DADDY, NO! NOT AGAIN!

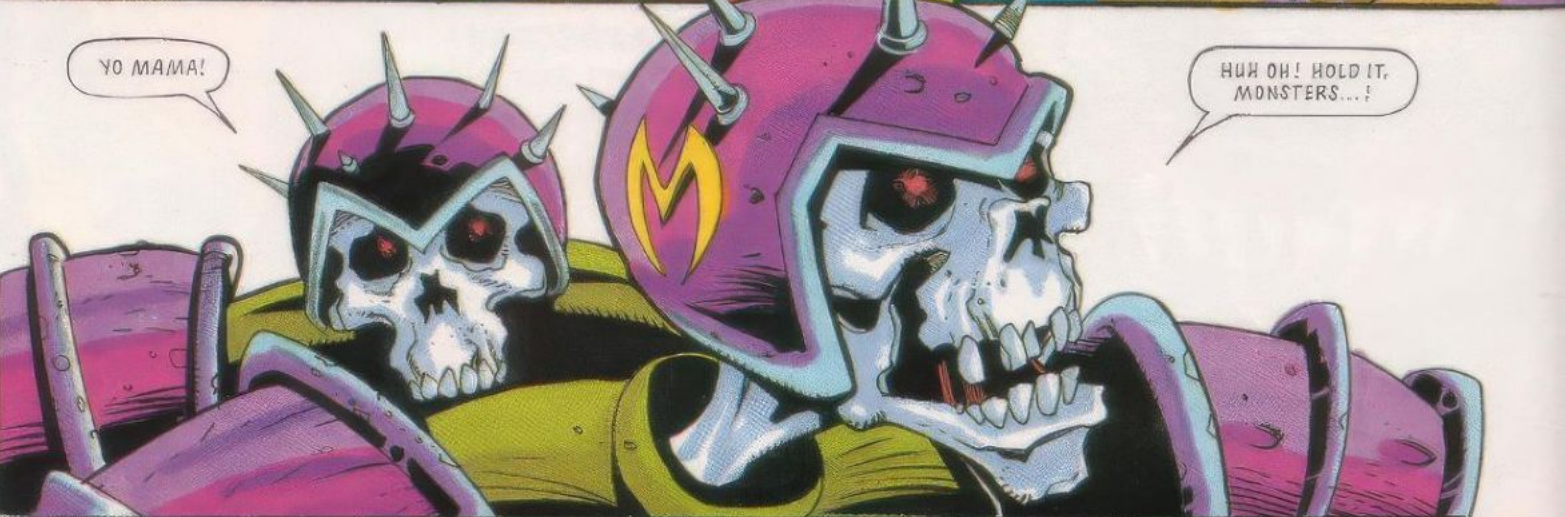
MONSTERS! FOLLOW THAT HEAD! WITHOUT IT WE'LL LOSE IN THE 4TH QUARTER!

SCUM-SUCKING - GUT-ROTTING - SLICE-DOCTORING - BIOHAZARD MINIONS-OF-K.T. BRIBE ACCEPTORS!



OUTTA MY WAY, PEASANTS!

WOW! K.T. SNAPPED MY BRACE AND RUINED SEVERAL MONTHS OF COMPLEX ORTHODONTISTRY. WAIT UNTIL I TELL THE GUYS!



YO MAMA!

HUH OH! HOLD IT, MONSTERS...!

OH I SAY. NOW THE MONSTERS ARE NOT GOING TO LIKE THAT!

FOR ALL YOU SPORTS FANS—AND I KNOW THAT'S THE ENTIRE COUNTRY—WATCHING IN BLACK AND WHITE, TOUGH LUCK, BUT COMING OUT OF THE CROWD ARE MEMBERS OF THE TERMINATOR TROOPS, MISFIT DEMONS, TURBO TECHIES, WARSLAMMERS, KILLER CONVICTS TO NAME BUT A FEW...

OKAY, MIDWAY MONSTERS, YOU WANT YOUR HEAD BACK, YOU GO THROUGH US FIRST!

PHASE ONE IS COMPLETE!
YAHAHHAH!

NEXT ISSUE: KEEP ON RUNNING!

NEWS Zone

Newsround: Garry Penn.

CODEMASTERS & ELECTRONIC ARTS IN COURT BATTLE!

Tennis Sims vie for supremacy on the Mega Drive

One of this summer's hot releases for the Mega Drive is **Pete Sampras Tennis** from Codemasters, the same company that brought you *Micro Machines*. This impressive new tennis game, featuring champion player Pete Sampras, was unveiled at the recent European Computer Trade Show and served up a smash to anyone who dared take on the man himself.

Among the first to accept the challenge were pop groups E.Y.C., who were taking time out to promote their latest album and single, and Jesus Jones.



E.Y.C.

E.Y.C. band member Trey Parker said: "This is a mean game! I'm no good at actually playing tennis, but I can be a World Champion with this and I love the way you can make the players dive for the shots".

Iain Baker, from Jesus Jones, also enjoyed the game commenting: "It's so easy to get into - it's great! I just picked up the control pad and immediately knew my way round the court. It's one of the most enjoyable games I've played for a long time".

Pete Sampras Tennis, featuring the revolutionary J-

Cart which allows up to four people to play simultaneously, is on sale now. However, it looks as though a fierce court battle could develop between Codemasters and Electronic Arts, who have announced **Sports Tennis** (a working title) for the Mega Drive.

Featuring singles and doubles matches over 16 tournaments and four surfaces, **Sports Tennis** boasts a high level of detail



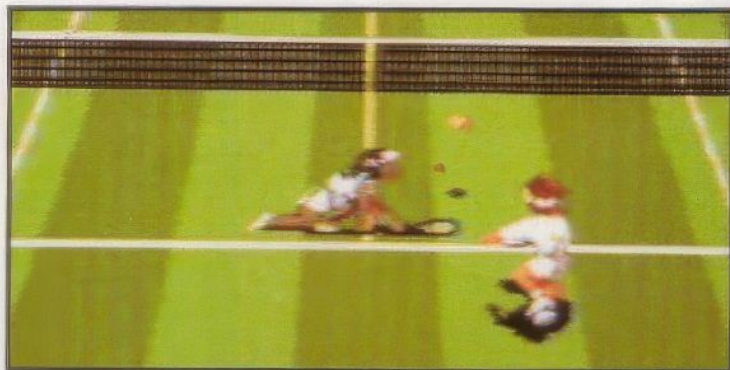
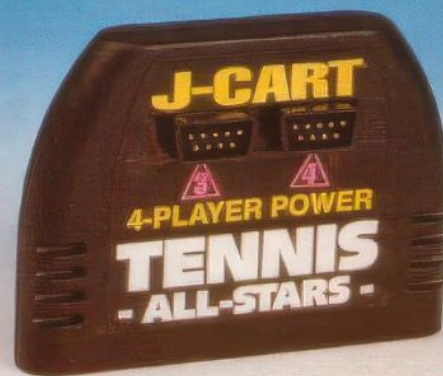
Anyone for Jesus Joneses Iain Baker & Mike Edwards

including chalk dust, squeaky trainers heard on the indoor court, and

even arguing with the umpire! The players are Rotoscoped, which means their movements are drawn from film of real people performing. EA claim that **Sports Tennis** is simple enough for anyone to pick up and play, but flexible enough to provide a long-term challenge. Predictably, **Sports Tennis** will be compatible with EA's 4-Way-Play adapter for simultaneous four-player fun.

Turn to this issue's *Review Zone* for STC's low-down on **Pete Sampras Tennis** on the Mega Drive.

It may be game and first set to Codemasters, but will Electronic Arts bounce back to win the match with **Sports Tennis**?



ONE IN A MILLION

Sega Europe's latest announcement is that **AB Electronics** in South Wales are to produce the millionth Sega game cartridge.

Since 1993 over 30 titles have been produced in Wales for sale in the UK and Europe, including top selling game titles such as **Aladdin** and **Sonic 3**. In addition, AB Electronics exclusively produce all of Sega's Mega Drive games for European sales with plans underway to extend production to Game Gear games by September.

Frank Herman, Managing Director of Sega Europe remarked: "Our policy is to improve our service to the customer by producing games in Europe to eliminate the expense and delay of shipping to Japan. We also reduce our exposure to currency fluctuations, while continuing to produce games to a high standard with short lead times. The millionth games to be produced in Wales shows how this policy has already proved successful with video cartridge games. We look forward to increasing our European manufacturing for CD and cartridge games in the future".

Turn overleaf for News Zone level 2 ... ➔

ROCKIN GOOD NEWS

The world's first stone-age speedway simulation

In an attempt to inject new life into an old idea, Core Design has taken the motorcycle racing simulation back into the prehistoric age. The result is **BC Racers** (formerly *Chuck Rally*) for the Mega-CD and the Mega Drive 32X (when it's released).

Millionaire playboy caveman Millstone Rockafella has organised a competition to win the Ultimate Boulderdash Bike. The race takes place over eight stages, with four levels of difficulty and a selection of characters, including hunky hero Cliff Hanger and Roxy (his girlfriend), Axle Roads and Willy Mammoth, Brick Jagger, Gary Gritta and, of course, Chuck Rock and his son.

The competitors ride in pairs on dinosaur-driven motorcycles called Dirtybikes (with side-cars to control, too), and dotted around the tracks are obstacles such as rocks, lava pools and



NEWS

sleeping dinosaurs. Power-ups such as Dino Food fuel the bikes' living engines.

With the Mega-CD version of **BC Racers**, two players can ride the same Dirtybike, one player handling the bike itself, the other controlling the side-car (on the Mega Drive 32X there's also a split screen so two players can race against each other).

BC Racers will be released for the Mega-CD in October and for the Mega Drive 32X in February 1995.

SHORT BURSTS



That Taz-Manian devil - set to return in September.

MORE LOONEY TOONS

Four of our favourite Warner Brothers cartoon characters will be appearing on the Sega systems before the end of this year.

The Tasmanian devil strikes again in a sequel to *Taz-Mania* entitled *Taz in Escape from Mars*. Also starring is Marvin Martian,

the green alien who gave *Bugs Bunny* a hard time (or should that vice versa?) in five cartoons. *Taz in Escape from Mars* is released for the Mega Drive and Game Gear in September.

That foul fowl *Daffy Duck* will be making his Master System debut in September, and the (meep-meep) *Road Runner* will be appearing on the Mega Drive for the first time sometime before Christmas (fact fans should note that he's already been the subject of an Atari Games arcade machine). The player controls *Wile E. Coyote* who is, as usual, out to get the bird through foul means or fouler.

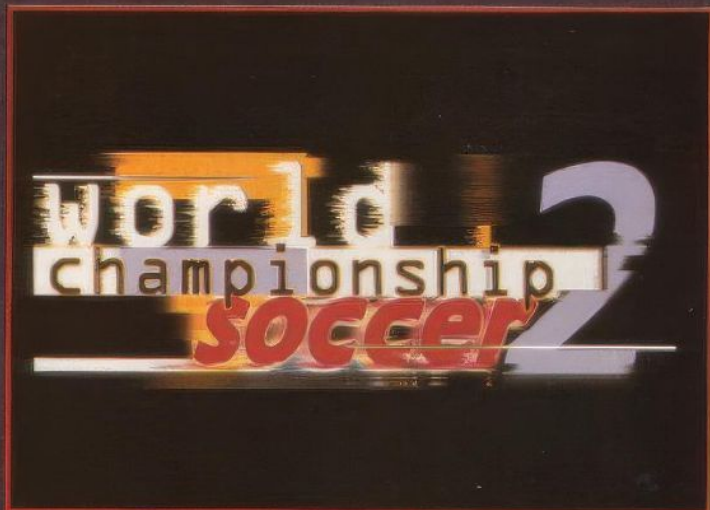
A LATE RESULT

Sega's new Mega Drive football simulation **World Championship**



Post World Cup fever with *World Championship Soccer II* on the Mega Drive.

Soccer II won't be out until after the World Cup has ended in August, but it will be released at the bargain price of £29.99.



A SHINING EXAMPLE

Also this month, Game Gear owners can find out what all the fuss was about with **Shining Force**, the role-playing adventure that received a rapturous reception on the Mega Drive. By the way, a beefed-up sequel, currently called **Shining Force II**, will be available for the Mega Drive in September.

SONIC AND ECCO DELAYED

Sonic Spinball for the Game Gear and Master System won't be out until September, and nor will **Ecco The Dolphin** for the Master System (delayed, it would seem, to coincide with the release of **Ecco II** for the Mega Drive).

FANCY A CHANGE?

Finally, for the Game Gear and Master System before this year's out (no firm release date has been set as yet), there's the **Mighty Morphin Power Rangers** (as in the top television series currently seen on Sky and GMTV). For further details, stay tuned to this channel.

Tails

The Morbiden Hunt

Part 4

Script: Mark Syles
Art: Cosmo and John M. Burns
Lettering: Elmo Fell

TAILS IS IN THE NAMELESS ZONE WHERE HE'S BEING HUNTED BY THE GOBLIN QUEEN IN CASTLE MORBIDDEN.

NOW, I HAVE YOU!

PRINCE CATALUS SAID WE WERE JUST GOING TO PLAY HIDE AND SEEK.

I THINK QUEEN VULPECULA PLAYS BY DIFFERENT RULES, JIMMY.

I WOULDN'T BE IN THIS MESS IF I HADN'T WRITTEN THOSE LETTERS HOME SAYING I WAS A BRAVE HERO.

IF ONLY SONIC WERE HERE!

THAT GAME WAS SUCH FUN, WASN'T IT, FOXES? I WANT TO PLAY AGAIN. RUN, FOXES, RUN. HA, HA, HA!

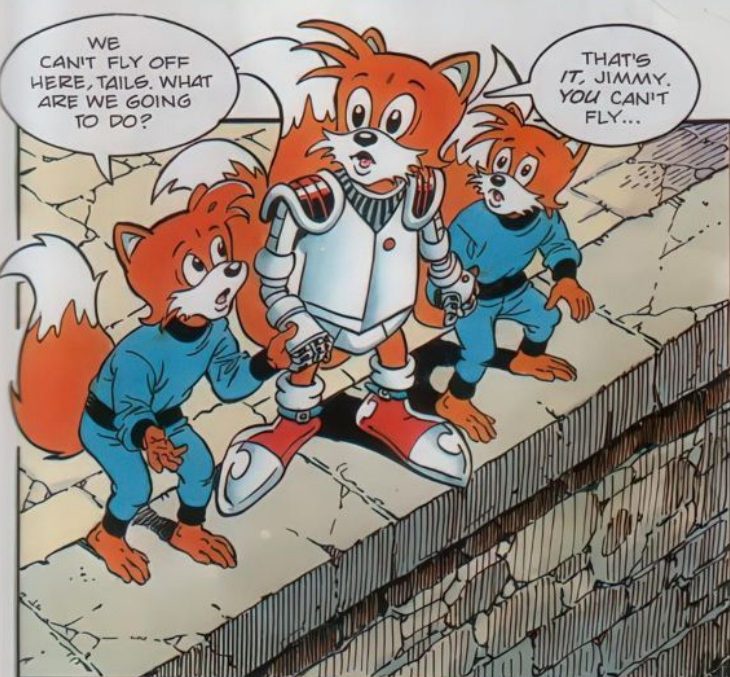
WE'VE GOT TO FIND THE HIDING PLACE PRINCE CATALUS TOLD US ABOUT. HE'LL HELP US.

I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT, JILLY, I THINK IT'S NEAR HERE.

HERE IT IS. THROUGH HERE. QUICK, BEFORE QUEEN VULPECULA FINDS US AGAIN.







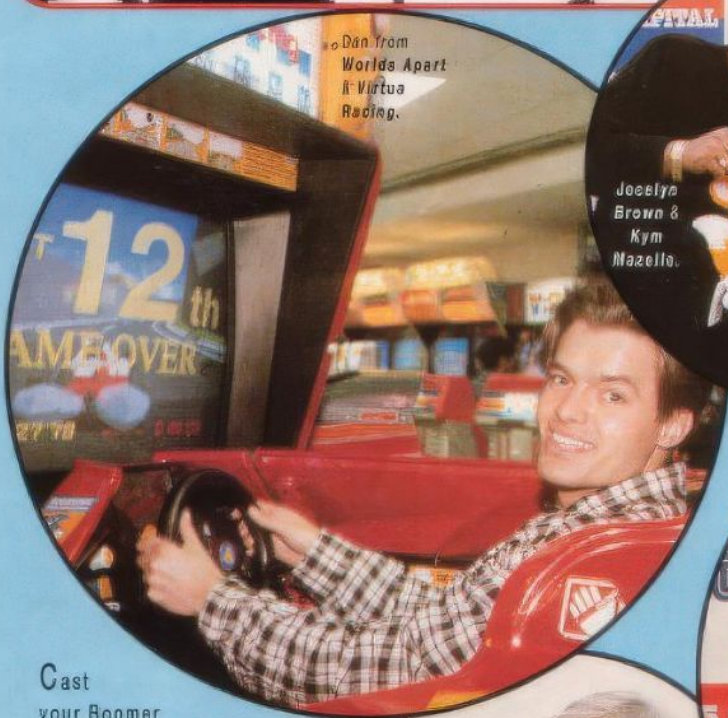


BUT THE GOBLIN FLYING BOAT CARRIES TAILS AND THE CUBS SWIFTLY BACK TO THEIR VILLAGE.





VIRTUA RACING DRIVES FANS WILD AT SEGA/CAPITAL RADIO ROADSHOWS!



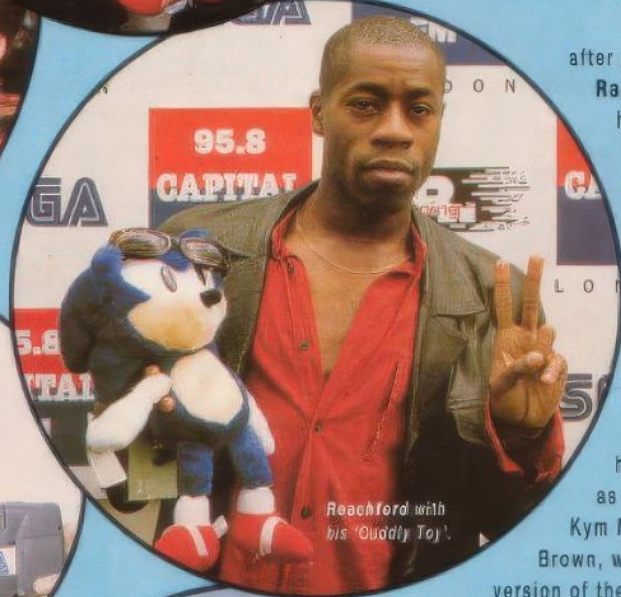
Dan from Worlds Apart in Virtua Racing.



Jocelyn Brown & Kym Mazelle.



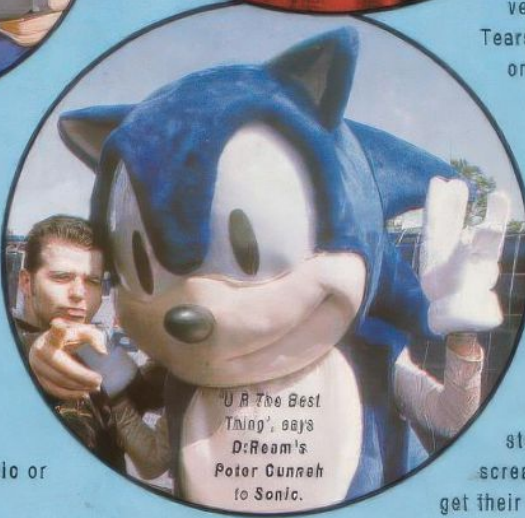
Mini versions of Sonic & Tails with cuddly stars of the Dagenham Roadshow, East 17.



Roachford with his 'Cuddly Toy'.



Proving that Sega games are not just kids stuff: DJ David Jensen.



'U R The Best Thing', says D:Ream's Peter Dinklage to Sonic.

Cast your Boomer minds back to May, where not one, not two, but **three Sega/Capital Radio Roadshows** were broadcast live from Essex and London. DJ's including David (no longer a 'Kid') Jensen, entertained thousands by racing each other playing **Virtua Racing** on stage.

The first Roadshow took place amidst glorious sunshine in North London's Finsbury Park. Acts included Aswad, Bad Boys Inc., D:Ream, East 17, Pauline Henry, and EYU, who spent the day capturing the action with their video camera. Also making an appearance on stage were none other than **Sonic, Tails and Knuckles**, who, of course, all stole the show!

Unfortunately, crowds at Central Park, Dagenham were subjected to a rather wet and muddy day where performers included Dannii Minogue and Kenny Thomas. However, the biggest welcome of the day was reserved for East London boys East 17 (an insider reported that band member Tony Coldwell requested a cuddly toy for his daughter - but was it a cuddly **Sonic** or a cuddly **Tails**?). Worlds Apart were so impressed

after playing **Virtua Racing** that they helped to launch the game at Hamley's later on that month.

A venue in West London was the location for the third **Sega/Capital Radio Roadshow**. Roachford strutted his stuff on stage, as did songstresses Kym Mazelle & Jocelyn Brown, who sang their version of the song 'No More Tears' (Enough is Enough), originally recorded by Barbara Streisand and Donna Summer (ask your parents!).

The stars, however, over all three shows had to be the funky double-decker Sega buses, who had folk queuing to sample the delights on board. After all, despite the array of pop stars, **STC** knows that it was really the **Virtua Racing** steering wheel that the screaming hordes were itching to get their hands on. ■

Q Zone

Q is for Question.
Q is for Query.
Q is for Quandary.
Enter the Q Zone for hints, tips, and help with your favourite Sega games.

Welcome again to the Q Zone, where help is offered to solve those really difficult games on the various Sega systems. If you have a game query or question, drop a line to the Q Zone at the usual STC address. Once again, help comes your way in the form of our regular Game Guru, David Gibbon.

AZTEC ADVENTURE



Aztec Adventure is a simple little shoot-em-up which, although not terribly exciting, can prove a lasting challenge if that's what you're after. It's the kind of game that can prove frustrating unless you have a bit of help - enter STC...

For a nifty level select cheat, before the scroll unwinds on the title screen press Up five times. When the character throws the cash, press Right three times. Wait until everybody moves to the right and press Left then Down. You'll now be able to access the stage select.

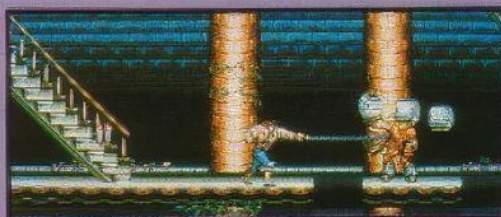
CASTLEVANIA



This top platformer from Konami was rated highly in STC recently. It's similar in fashion to Shinobi, but features better gameplay. The plot involves one of



two characters whose aim is to stop Count Dracula from returning. We've found an excellent cheat which gives you a level select, up to 30 additional lives and switches the collision detection off!



Castlevania

On the title screen, press Up, Up, Down, Down, Left, Right, B and A on the joypad.

BATMAN RETURNS



Batman Returns, the CD version of the Batman film proved to be a very decent game with a great car racing

stage. If the Joker is proving himself to be anything but, if the Riddler is just too puzzling, or if you'd rather not p-p-pick up the Penguin - fear not as STC is here to help. We've found a great cheat enabling you to advance a level and all you need do is press a few keys.

Make your way to the options screen and set it to the driving game. Press and hold down Left and hit B on the joypad. Go to the difficulty level option and press and hold Left and then press B. Repeat these key presses on each of the seven options, from top to bottom. If done correctly you'll hear a small ringing noise. Now when playing the game all you have to do is press C and you'll advance a stage. Bat-tastic!

TOE JAM & EARL 2



Some boomers have found the mega-

groovy Toe Jam & Earl 2 game to be quite troublesome. Admittedly, Funkatron is not an easy place to catch those Earthlings, but don't fret - help is listed below to enable you to become truly funky masters!

Also, don't worry if you're having difficulty getting onto the later levels. Also listed below are seven level passwords to get you going:-

LEVEL	CODE
3	POA6IZQNW906
5	VD06WK2ECTV7
7	P0Y-8K!TAJ6F
9	VDDFH-W9EKHC
11	KYJQ!O8CJD66
13	JE0Q!FYLKJ06
15	AI2T1A0H9!6A

To make the later levels of the game easier, reset the game and turn Li'l KIds mode on and enter the password to level seven. From here, all the Earthlings can be trapped as in the kiddies mode - requiring only one or two hits instead of the normal eight or nine. Also, enter TJ-AND-EARL! as the password and you should be rewarded with the end credits.

JAMES POND 3



James Pond 3 is the latest outing for this fishy character. It involves him doing more hard platform- type levels, killing more baddies and negotiating even more jumps. Now for the cheat...

To obtain access to every route on the map, pop to the password screen and enter: Red Cheese, Yellow Mouse, Green Cat, Blue Dog and Red Book. Now, click on the door icon and hey presto - it's worked!

SONIC 3



The latest instalment of the spiky one sees him once again confronting the evil Doctor Robotnik in his biggest and best adventure yet. This new game saw Sonic go snow-boarding and taking part in a brilliant new 3D



Sonic 3



special stage incorporating a massive rotating ball. If you're having difficulty getting onto the later levels, you'll be happy to know that at last we've found the **Sonic 3** level select cheat.

To activate the level select, wait until the big Sega logo at the start of the game starts to disintegrate and the big blue Sonic zooms out of the screen. Quickly press Up, Up, Down, Down, Up, Up and Up on the joypad; this has to be



done quickly in order to work you'll hear a noise as soon as it's activated. Once you're back onto the screen with Sta and Options displayed, press Down and you'll see Sound Test. Enter this and you've finally reached the cheat screen where you can take Sonic to any level. Yippee!

ECCO THE DOLPHIN 2

The famous blue dolphin returns in the enhanced CD version of the best-selling cartridge game. Here's a cheat that reveals a hidden options screen giving access to all sorts of goodies.

To access the screen, pause the game half-way through a turn while Ecco is facing you, then press Right, B, C, B, C, Down, C and Up on the Joypad. If this is done correctly the hidden options screen will appear. If not, just try again.

Ecco the Dolphin



Got a Game Genie or a Mega Drive?

If so, you'll find these

new codes mega useful! Special thanks to the folk at Hornby Hobbies for once again supplying the Game Genie codes.

ALIEN 3

Stomach problems? Can't keep anything down? Help Ripley cleanse colonists' colons from their uninvited Alien gut-inhabiting quests with these armour-piercing Game Genie codes for



Alien 3

Alien 3!

Infinite time	AACTCA6J
Infinite lives	A2EAAA6R
Infinite machine gun	AJNAEA3R
Infinite flame-thrower	AJMAEA7C
Never lose radar	AJFTAA66
Long falls do not reduce energy	AMDACA4J
Falls into turbine fans do not reduce energy	ADEACAGJ
Start on stage 2	AJBTA AEY
Start on stage 3	ANBTAAEY

BUBSY

The Woolies are determined to take our wool, and it's up to Bubsy and



Bubsy

you to put a stop to their thieving ways. With the aid of the Game Genie you can easily pull the wool over the Woolies and defeat their sinister plot!



Bubsy

Infinite lives	RERT86V4
Infinite time	ADTA6AAC
Start with 66 lives	KEXTAAA4
Start on chapter 2	AELTAAAC
Start on chapter 3	AJLTAAAC
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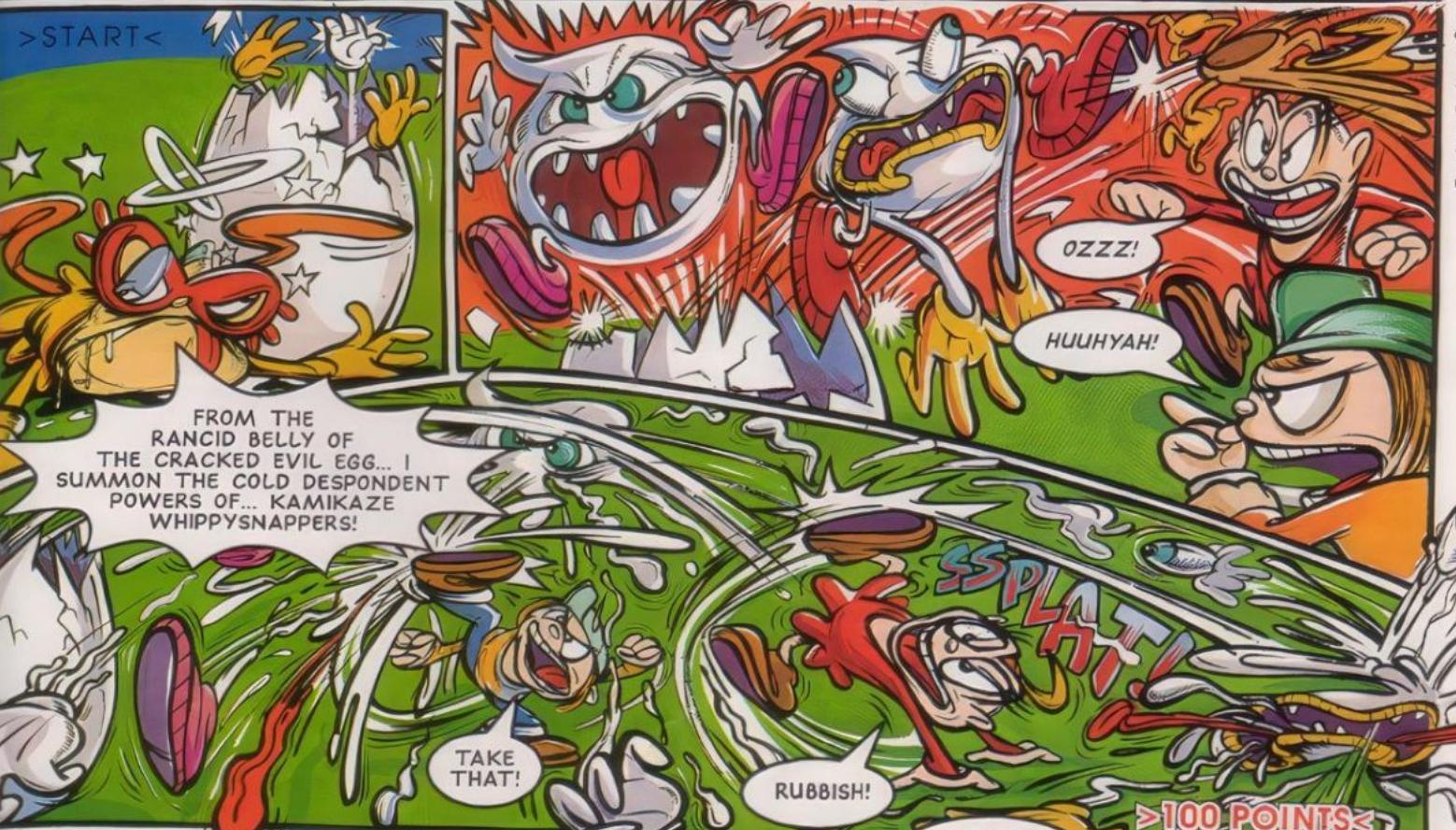
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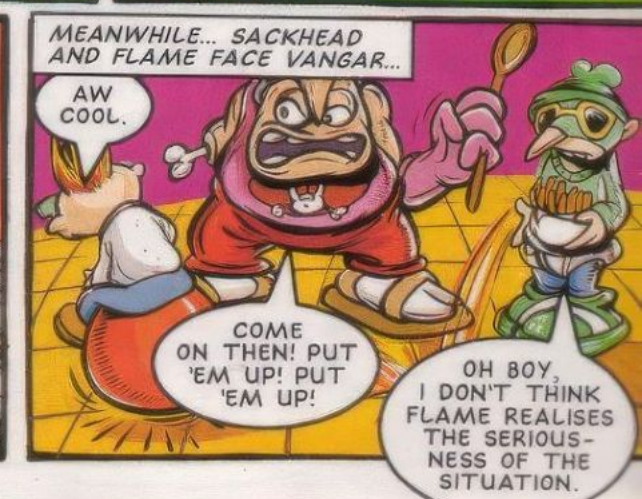


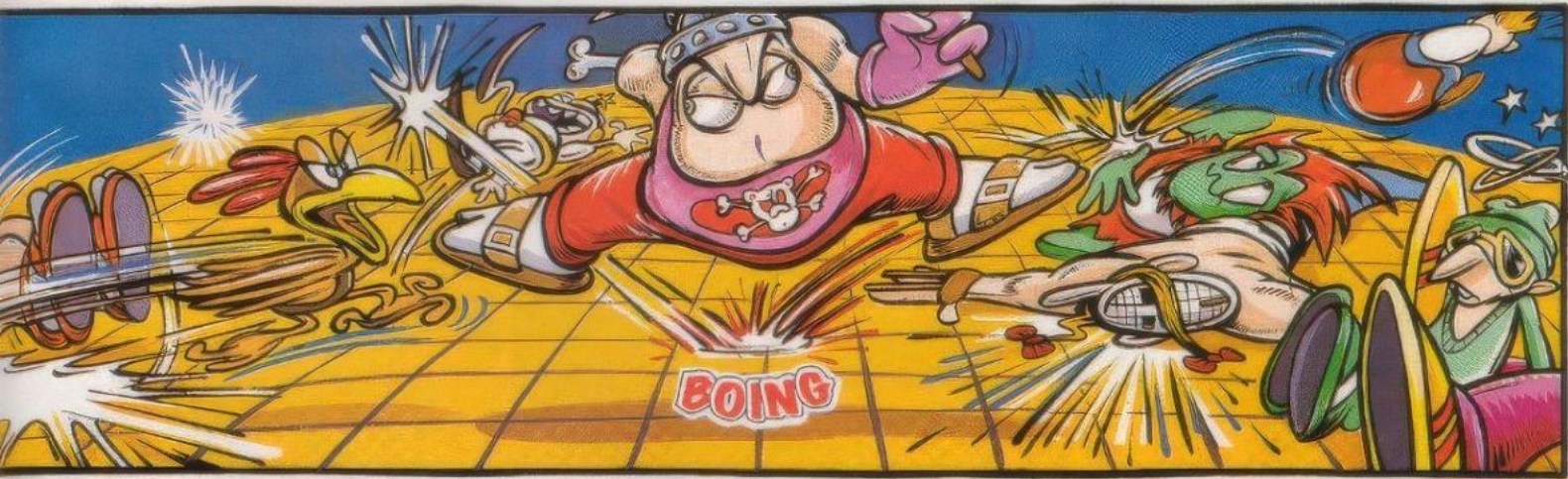
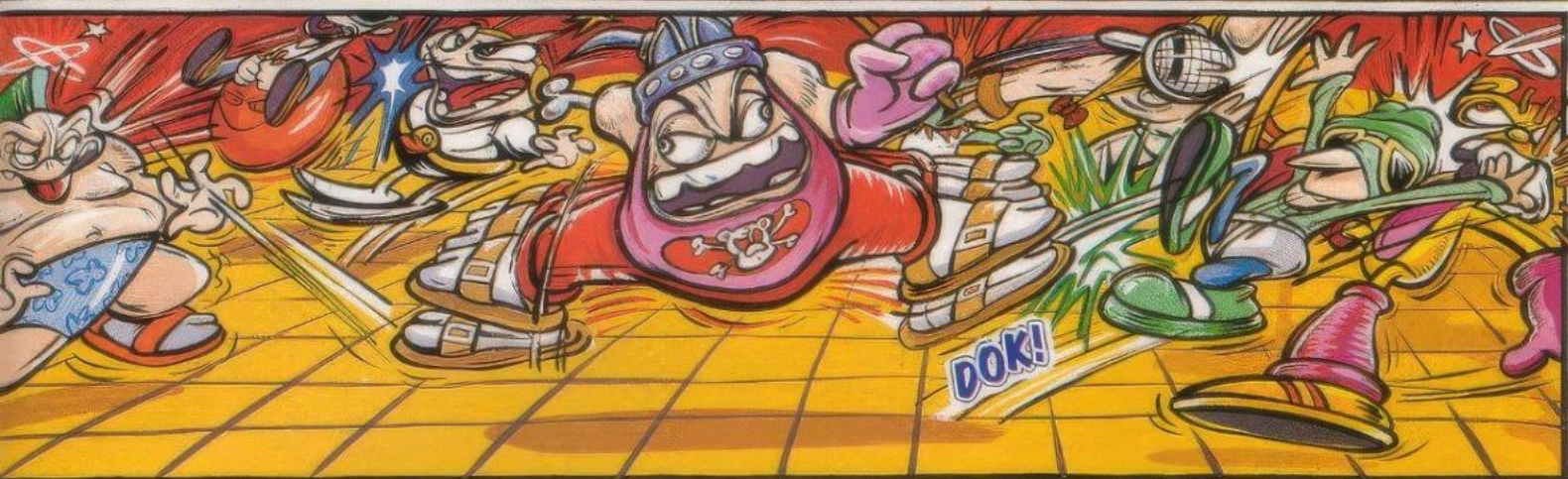
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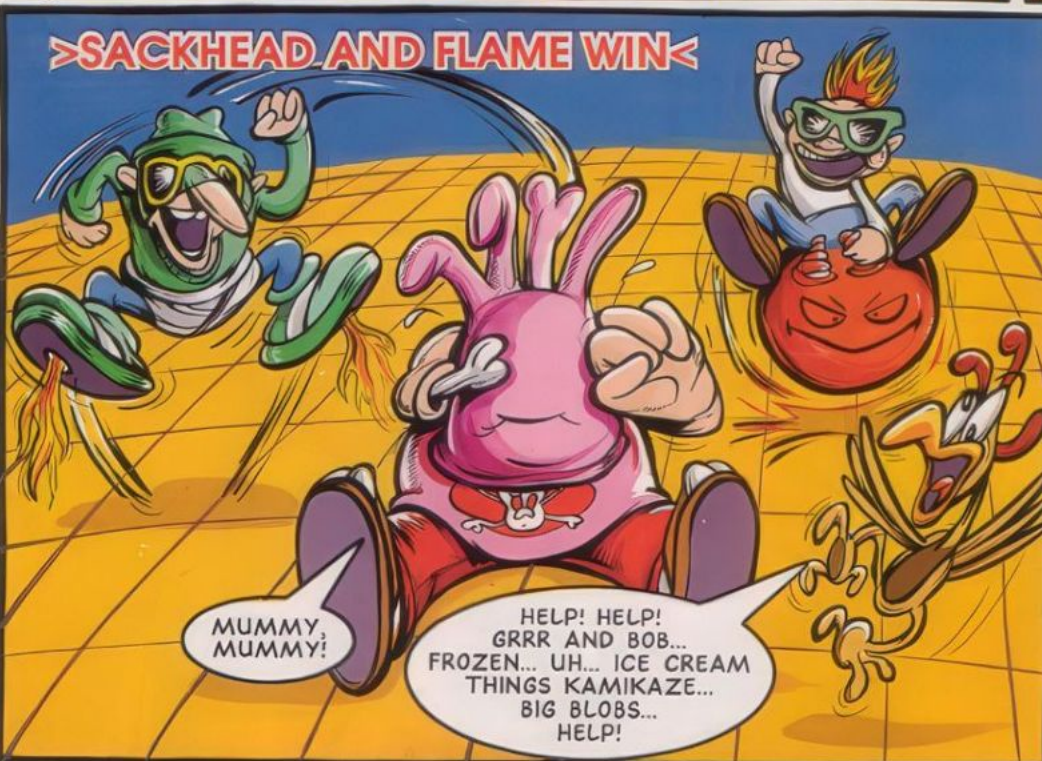
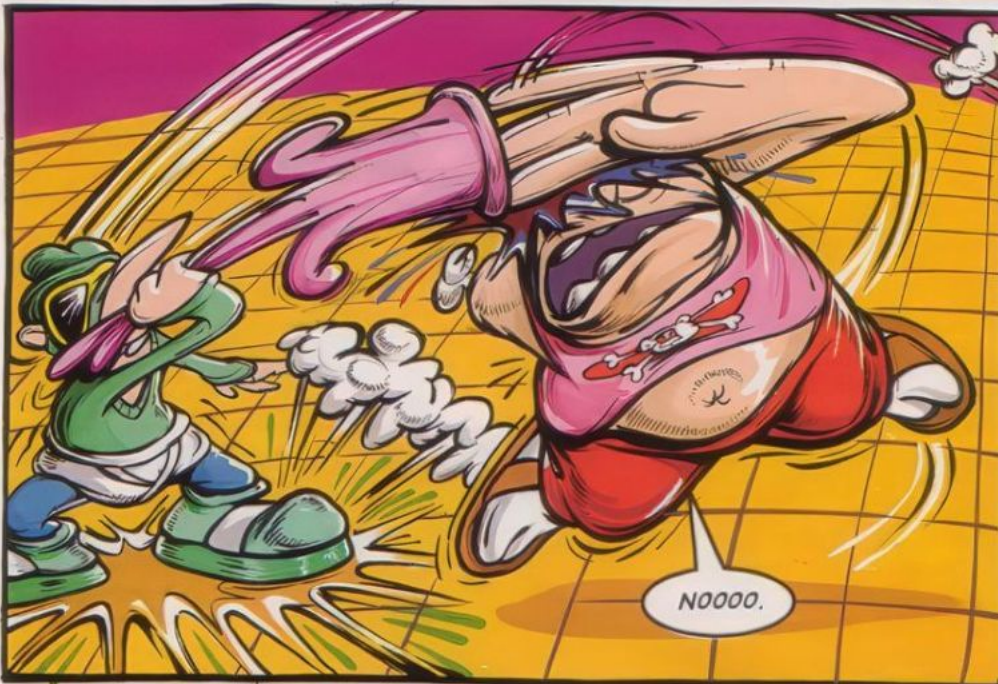
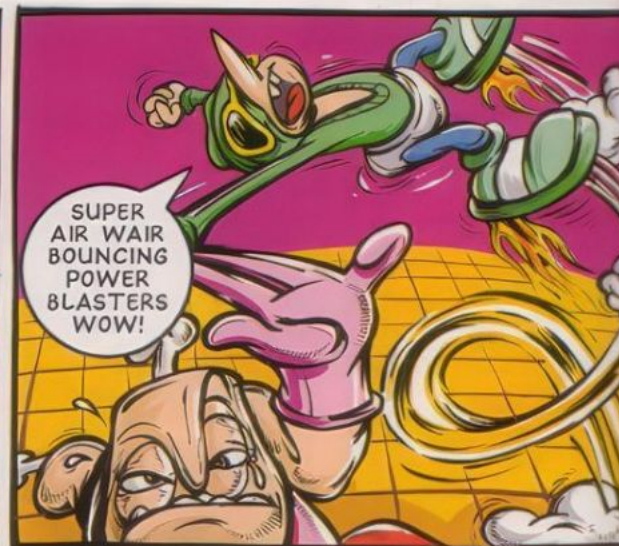
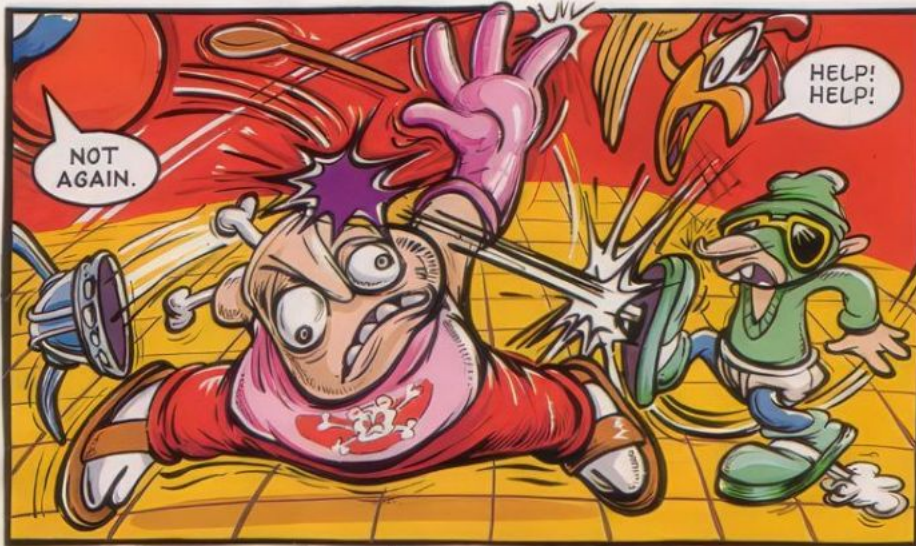
THE BANDAID BANDITS HAVE BEEN TORN FROM THEIR LIVING ROOM BY TV PIRATES. FEZHEAD AND SKULL, BOB AND GRRR ARE BEING SUBJECTED TO THE SICK BUBBLE BATH POWERS OF GRANEE & BALL, WHILST SACKHEAD AND FLAME FACE FISTICUFFS WITH VANGAR THE SPATULA CONSTRUCTOR. PLUS, OF COURSE, THERE'S THE CHICKEN CALLED DOG...



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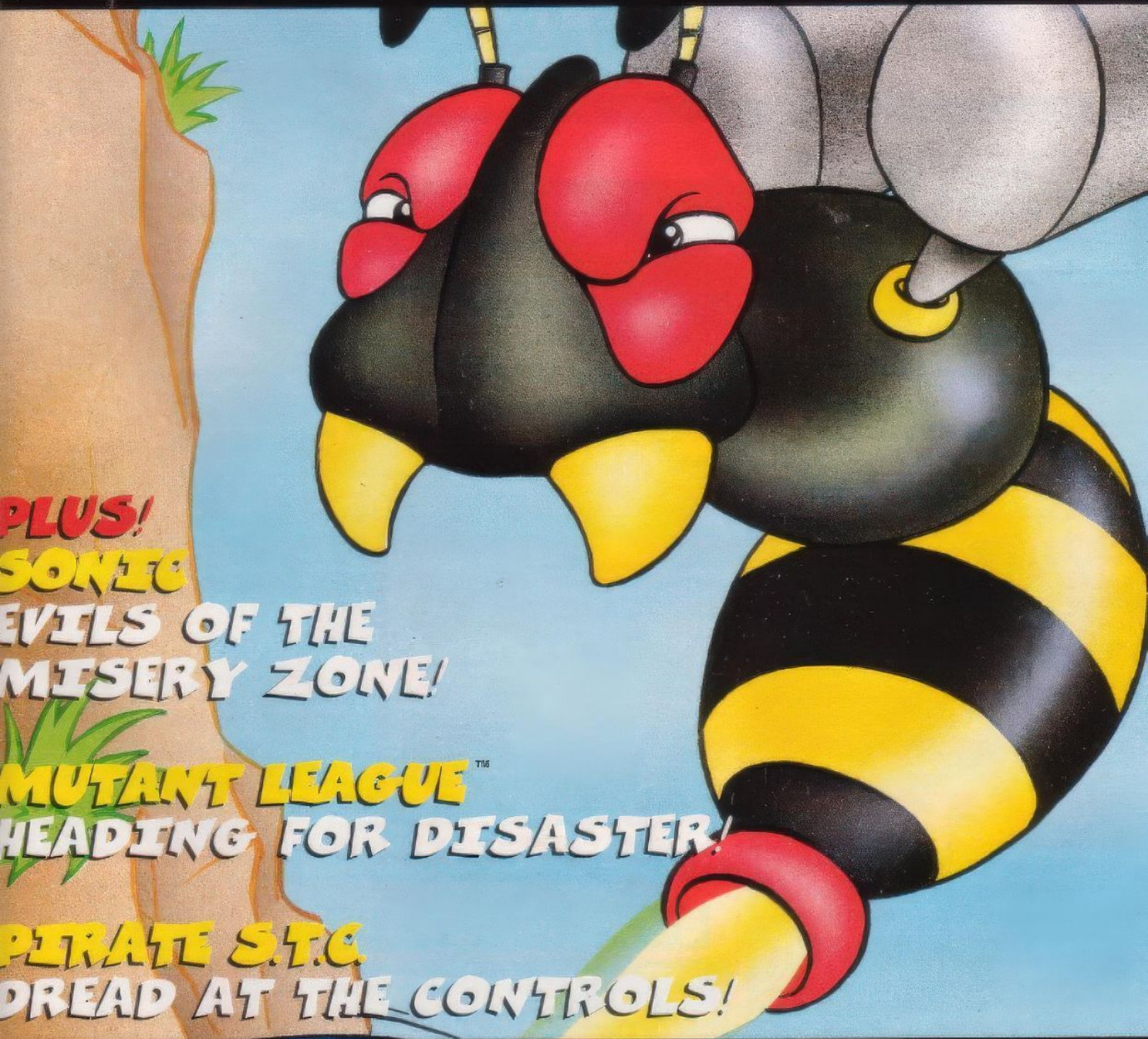




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Juras-Sick

Dear STC,

Why on Mobius did you give *Jurassic Park* a low rating? Are you sure you haven't got your TV tuned in wrong? I think the graphics and sound in the game are far more superior than the *Sonic* CD. As for Andrew Shortland's comment back in STC 8 saying, 'Your reviews are very accurate', I hope he's reading this because he's bloomin' wrong! Oh, and while I'm at it, the reason I wrote 'Dear STC', is because that's exactly what it is - FAR TOO DEAR!

Adrian MacKenzie, Ross-Shire, Scotland.
Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.



Oh, stop whinging Adrian! Just as you're entitled to your opinion, so are the humes who review the games in STC.

Amy Fire

Dear STC,

The only thing I don't like about the *Sonic* stories is Amy Rose! I can't understand why Sonic lets her get away with annoying him all the time. It seems obvious to me that he doesn't like her. Why doesn't he just get rid of her?

Michael Siddique, London (please send full address details). MD owner.

Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.



So, there's a soft side to this tough, badnik-busting hedgehog. Anything wrong with that Michael?

Dust Busting

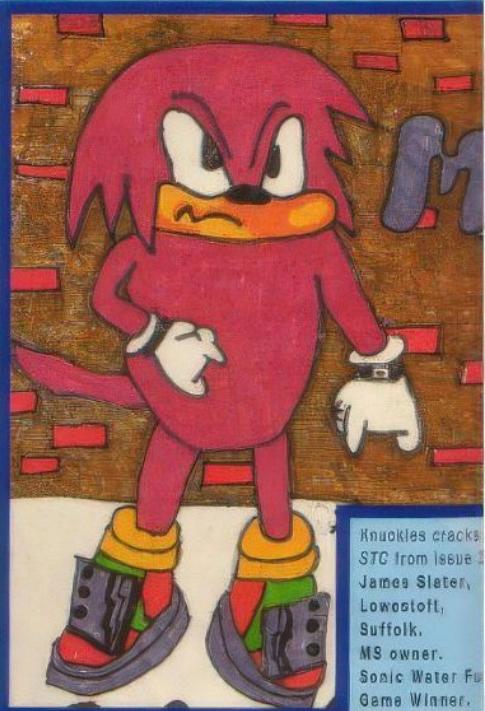
Dear STC,

I was wondering if you have any plans to produce special binders or covers in which to put STC copies. These would be especially useful in preventing my mum putting dirty fingerprints on my collection when she's hoovering my room. Darren Mills, Canterbury, Kent. MD owner.
Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.



There are no plans as yet, Darren, but you could try washing your hands after you've got up off your hume derriere and hoovered your own room! This way your mum won't have dirty fingerprints.

Megadroid impersonating the humes who think they're in-charge!
Lauren Hughes, Knottingley.
Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.



Knuckles cracks STC from issue 1. James Slater, Lowestoft, Suffolk. MS owner.
Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.

Cracking Knuckles

Dear STC,

Back in STC 19 you mentioned that Knuckles would be making his first appearance. However, we've still not heard sight nor sound of him. Please tell me why.

Duncan Edwards, Hoole, Cheshire. MS owner.
Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.



Well Dunc, it was an unconscious ploy to keep you all in suspense - and it worked! However, we can reveal that Knuckles (who has sneaked into the *Sonic Summer Special* - on sale now), will be making an impact in STC 32, so take cover! Meanwhile, hope you like Boomer Slater's pic of Knuckles on this page.

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